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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Mamoru SHOJI et al.

Serial No. NEW : Attn: Application Branch

Filed February 15, 2001 : Attorney Docket No. 2001\_0160

RECORDING MEDIUM, RECORDING  
APPARATUS AND RECORDING METHOD  
**(Rule 1.53(b) Divisional  
of Serial No. 09/395,218,  
Filed September 14, 1999)**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

After the title at page 1, line 1, please add the following paragraph:

*A1 CONCL..* This application is a Rule 1.53(b) Divisional of Serial No. 09/395,218, Filed September 14, 1999, now USPN 6,359,846

Please replace the paragraph at page 40, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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CONT'D*  
In Fig. 7, the 10T period of 710 and 711 (a 6T space and 4T mark) and the 10T period of 712 and 713 (*a 4T mark and 6T space >> 712 is a 4T SPACE and 713 is a 6T MARK in Fig. 7*) overlap and appear as a continuous wave. Measured signal 710 - 711 and the next measured signal 712 - 713 therefore overlap, and it is difficult to accurately separate and analyze the measured signals. Utilizing the fact that jitter is minimized if the two 10T periods are substantially the same length, a jitter meter